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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2563

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2563 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Jury Act is amended by changing Section  
5 10.2 and by adding Section 10.5 as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 305/10.2) (from Ch. 78, par. 10.2)

7 Sec. 10.2. Excusing prospective jurors; hardship.

8 (a) The county boards of the respective counties, the jury  
9 commissioners for those counties which have been appointed  
10 under the Jury Commission Act, or a jury administrator shall  
11 submit questionnaires to prospective jurors to inquire as to  
12 their qualifications for jury service and as to the hardship  
13 that jury service would pose to the prospective jurors. Upon  
14 prior approval by the chief judge of the judicial circuits in  
15 which a county board, jury administrator, or jury commissioners  
16 are situated, the county board, jury administrator, or jury

1 commissioners shall excuse a prospective juror from jury  
2 service if the prospective juror shows that such service would  
3 impose an undue hardship on account of the nature of the  
4 prospective juror's occupation, business affairs, physical  
5 health, family situation, ~~active duty in the Illinois National~~  
6 ~~Guard or Illinois Naval Militia,~~ or other personal affairs, and  
7 cause his or her name to be returned to the jury list or  
8 general jury list.

9 (b) When an undue hardship caused by a family situation is  
10 due to the prospective juror being the primary care giver of a  
11 person with a mental or physical disability, a person with a  
12 medically diagnosed behavior problem, or a child under age 12,  
13 then the county board, jury commissioners or jury administrator  
14 shall excuse such a prospective juror, if it finds that no  
15 reasonable alternative care is feasible which would not impose  
16 an undue hardship on the prospective juror or the person for  
17 whom the prospective juror is providing care, or both.

18 (Source: P.A. 90-482, eff. 1-1-98; 91-264, eff. 7-23-99.)

19 (705 ILCS 305/10.5 new)

20 Sec. 10.5. Servicemembers. Any active member of the United  
21 States Armed Forces, Illinois National Guard, or Illinois Naval  
22 Militia shall, upon request, be excused from jury service.

23 Section 10. The Jury Commission Act is amended by adding  
24 Section 10.6 as follows:

1 (705 ILCS 310/10.6 new)

2 Sec. 10.6. Servicemembers. Any active member of the United  
3 States Armed Forces, Illinois National Guard, or Illinois Naval  
4 Militia shall, upon request, be excused from jury service."